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We are prepared to pay costs specified in your regulations for locating the requested files and reproducing them.

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As provided for in the amended Act, we expect to receive a reply within ten working days.

Yours sincerely,

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Nancy F. Wechsler, Esq. Greenbaum, Wolff & Ernst 437 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10022

Dear Ms. Wechsler:

This is in response to Mr. Lewis H. Lapham's and Mr. Victor S. Navasky's appeal of 9 December 1976 of the CIA's failure to produce the following material requested by them under the Freedom of Information Act, as amended:

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proved For Release 2005/08/08 CIA REPEZMODE 45R00070005006 Port In 32 Code of Federal Regulations section 1900.51, Mr. William W. Wells, Deputy Director of Operations, has considered your clients' appeal.

Mr. Wells has determined that the material your clients have requested is currently and properly classified pursuant to Executive Order 11652 and is thus exempt from disclosure under exemption (b)(1) of the Freedom of Information Act.

Mr. Wells has determined further that the material your clients have requested concerns information pertaining to intelligence sources and methods which the Director of Central Intelligence has the responsibility to protect from unauthorized disclosure pursuant to section 102(d)(3) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 403(d)(3)) and section 6 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 403g). Accordingly, this material is exempt from disclosure under exemption (b)(3) of the Freedom of Information Act.

In accordance with section 552(a)(4)(B) of the Freedom of Information Act, your clients have the right to seek judicial review of this determination in a United States district court.

Sincerely,

John F. Blake
Chairman
Information Review Committee

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Dear Mr. Lapham:

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This is in response to your request, dated 16 November 1976, for material intended for an article to be written by Mr. Victor S. Navasky.

Concerning numbered paragraphs 1) and 3) of your letter, it has been determined that any documents which might exist which would be responsive to your request and which reveal any CIA connection with or interest in matters relating

to those set forth in your request and, indeed, any data that might reveal the existence of any such records would be duly classified under criteria set forth in Executive Order 11652. Accordingly, and pursuant to the authority of exemption (b)(1) of the Freedom of Information Act, this is to advise that this Agency will not grant access to any records that may exist which might be responsive to your request. By this answer, we are neither denying nor confirming that any such records exist.

It has been determined further that the fact of the existence or non-existence of such records, if any, would relate to information pertaining to intelligence sources and methods which the Director of Central Intelligence has the responsibility to protect from unauthorized disclosure in accordance with section 102(d)(3) of the National Security Act of 1947 and section 6 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949. Accordingly, such records, if any, would be denied pursuant to exemption (b)(3) of the Freedom of Information Act.

Concerning paragraph 2) of your letter, it has been determined that those materials must be withheld in their entirety under the exemption provisions of subsections (b)(1), (b)(3), (b)(5) and (b)(6) of the Freedom of Information Act.

The applicability of the Freedom of Information Act subsections cited earlier is explained as follows:

- (b)(1) applies to material which is properly classified pursuant to Section 1 of Executive Order 11652, and is exempt under Section 5(B) of the same Order;
- (b) (3) applies to the Director's statutory obligations to protect from disclosure intelligence sources and methods, as well as the organization, functions, names, official titles, salaries or numbers of personnel employed by the Agency, in accord with the National Security Act of 1947 and the CIA Act of 1949, respectively;
- (b)(5) applies to inter- and intra-agency memoranda which are advisory in nature; **and**,
- (b) (6) applies to information release of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of other individuals.

The first decision cited above was made by Mr. George L. Cary, Legislative Counsel for this Agency. The latter decision was made by Mr. Charles A. Briggs, Chief of Services Staff. These decisions may be appealed to the CIA Information Review Committee, as provided by 32 Code of Federal Regulations, section 1900.51.

Sincerely,

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December 9, 1976

Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Attention FOIA Appeals Unit

Gentlemen:

We hereby appeal the refusal of the Central Intelligence Agency to disclose the material requested in our letter of November 16, 1976.

The CIA refusal was outlined in a letter dated December 2, 1976, from Gene F. Wilson, Information and Privacy Coordinator, signed by Charles E. Savige.

Sincerely,

Lewis H. Lapham

Victor S. Navasky

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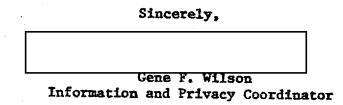
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Your request is being processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, as amended. Since our backlog makes it impossible to complete the processing of your request within the 10 days stipulated by law, you could construe this as a denial and appeal. However, it would seem more reasonable to allow us the necessary time to complete our processing before you decide to do so.



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